(ii) CSC Project - DIT has approved Common Service Centre project for Kerala for establishing 3180 CSCs at a total approved outlay of Rs. 1.80 Crores.

(d) Does not arise.

Stamp on Sri Sri and Guntur Sehendra Sharma

582. SHRIMATI T. RATNA BAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to release a stamp on Sri Sri and Guntur Seshendra Sharma who are famous in Telugu culture;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, by when such stamps would be released?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT): (a) No, Sir. No such proposal is under consideration of this Department.

(b) In view of (a) above, the question does not arise.

(c) The proposal for issue of special/commemorative postage stamps are examined only after receipt from the proponents in the light of existing guidelines laid down by the Philatelic Advisory Committee.

Pension in BSNL and MTNL

583. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is paying differential attitude towards BSNL and MTNL, whereas the officers and employees working in BSNL are getting pension from Government but officers and employees working in MTNL are not getting pension;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the profit of both BSNL and MTNL for last years;

(d) whether it is much less than the private players; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT): (a) and (b) Pension payment in Public Sector Units (PSUs) formed by conversion of Government Departments and en-masse transfer of employees is regulated by Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972. As per these rules, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is only such PSU for which liability of pension payment lies with the Government.

(c) Profit of both BSNL and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) for the last three years is given below: